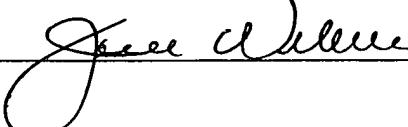


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Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time from April 30, 2003 to May 30, 2003 and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Fee Transmittal sheet.

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2003, please amend this application as indicated below.